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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
61 Forsyth Street, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
PROPOSED TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDLs)
FOR WATERS AND POLLUTANTS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act requires each state to compile a list of those waters within its boundaries for which technology based effluent limitations are not stringent enough to protect any water quality standard applicable to such waters. Listed waters are prioritized with respect to designated use classifications and the severity of pollution. In accordance with this prioritization, states are then required to develop Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for those listed waters. The TMDL process establishes the allowable loadings of pollutants or other quantifiable parameters for a waterbody based on the relationship between pollution sources and in-stream water quality conditions, so that states can establish water quality based controls to reduce pollution from both point and non-point sources and restore and maintain the quality of their water resources (USEPA, 1991).

The waterbody impairments on Florida's 303(d) list that are addressed by the proposed TMDLs are listed below.

Basin	Waterbody Name	Waterbody Identification (WBID) Number	§303(d) List Pollutant(s)
Tampa Bay	Sixmile Creek	1536F	Biological Oxygen Demand
Upper St. Johns River	St. Johns River above Puzzled Lake	2893I	Biological Oxygen Demand

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed TMDLs or to offer new data or information regarding the proposed TMDLs are invited to submit the same in writing no later than November 30, 2009, to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Water Protection Division, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960, ATTENTION: Ms. Sibyl Cole, Pollution Control and Implementation Branch.

A copy of each of the proposed TMDLs can be obtained through the Internet or by contacting Ms. Cole at (404) 562-9437 or via electronic mail at cole.sibyl@epa.gov. The URL address for the proposed TMDLs is: <http://www.epa.gov/region4/water/tmdl/florida/>. The proposed TMDLs and supporting

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